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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GUTMAN et al.

Application No. 09/462,765

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FILTER ASSEMBLY For:

Art Unit: 1723

Examiner: M. Savage

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed May 8, 2002 in the referenced patent application, Applicants provisionally elect species 3 directed to a filter assembly where the filter medium is a FLUORODYNE medium. Further, examination is requested of all of the claims pending in the application.

A favorable action is solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any extension of time fees pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d) associated with this communication and to credit any excess payment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this Response is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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